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(27/5 to 26/6/44, Fuehrer Jaeger Regiment 75; 13/8 to 21/9/44 Fuehrer Jaeger Regiment 56.)

Estimates: Definite leadership personality with open, honest character. Fresh, always optimistic manner. Confident and full of initiative, great will power. Enthusiastic Mational Socialist of great conviction. Courageous when faced with the enemy and firm in any crisis. Energetic and ambitious. As regimental commander he had sound judgment in the most difficult situations, quick judgment powers, and tenacious will. Tactically and technically very well schooled. Intellectually a many-sided person; physically robust.

Strong points: Outstanding and passionate troop leader. His strength lies definitely in the field of practical troop leadership. As a leader in battle, as a result of his willpower, his always confident bearing, and his inner strength, he was

able to undertake the most difficult assignments. Ambitious type. Very much of a dare-

devil.

Weak points: Because of his marked, often drastic manner of expression, he appears very confident, but without

being overbearing.

All other estimates agree in essence with the above, and all speak of his enthusiasm for the Mazi cause, as well as for his ability to influence others by this enthusiasm.

Other Comment: Very well-equipped for training as General Staff Officer.

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Listed as born 3/2/14 in Ulm, Wuerttemberg.

Service Career: Dienstlaufbahn - Entered service as Pionier on 1 November 1934; became Gefreiter on 1 July 1935; Unteroffizier on 18 December 1935; Fachnrich on 29 June 1936; Oberfachnrich on 21 October 1936; Leutnant on 20 April 1937; Oberfachnrich on 31 August 1939; Haputmann on 16 March 1942; Major on 20 April 1943. Served until 1 June 1944.

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28/8/39 to 1/12/39, Pi. Btl. 5, Adjutant 2/12/39 to 1/10/40, 2nd Pi. Btl. 5, Kp. Chef 2/10/40 to 28/2/42, 2nd Pi. Btl. 125, Kp. Chef 1/3/42 to 18/3/44, Pi. Btl. 125, Kommander

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Estimate as an Officer: Even, open and honest character. Always willing, able officer. Modest and withdrawn toward his superiors; rather withdrawn personality. Good Dational Socialist. In face of enemy has proven his courage many times. Is a careful and excellent leader of his batallion. His strength lies more in technical and Pionier-tectical fields. Well equipped intellectually; physically energetic.

Strong points: Great technical know-how and good tactical understanding.

Very calm with little temperament. But above average. Weak points:

Other comments: Well equipped for career as General Staff Officer. All comments indicated that he was a good Mazi.

General Estimate: (From recommendation for promotion to rank of Major) Earnest officer, motivated by high soldierly and Mational Socialist ideals. Has faced the enemy often and well. Clever tactician and technically a well-trained Pionier Commander, who has led his batallion since 15 April 1942 extremely well. Showed up well as early as the compaign into France and was awarded the Iron Cross I and II. Since the beginning of the campaign into Russia was at the front. Captain Buchhorn fills all qualifications and is well suited for the rank of Major. (By the Division Commander.)

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